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A Report of students' and staff's achievements and events conducted at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, for the months of August 2024.

FACULTY ACHIEVEMENTS: -

Dr. Geetanjali Atri & Mr. R Radhakrishnan, Assistant Professors, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, presented a paper titled “Of Conversion and the de-Hinduisation of the Marginalized in India” at National Conclave on “Conversion and Reservation: In the Context of Justice K.G. Balakrishnan Commission.” to the Vishwa Samwad Kendra & Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh, for Publication as a policy report to the Justice K.G. Balakrishnan Commission.

Dr Shaeyuq Ahmad Shah, Assistant Professor, SLSH, Attended the Virtual 6th International Mediterranean Congress, Rome, Italy, held from 13th to 15th August 2024, and presented a paper titled “Human Rights to Water in India.”

STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS: -

MOOT COURT COMPETITION: -

The team of SLSH comprising Rohini Pandey, Kanishka S, Tarini Srinivasan, and Shreya Bose, (All students from the Batch of 2021-2026) have emerged as Winners of the Surana & Surana National Trial Advocacy Moot Court Competition 2024, organised by School of Excellence in Law, Tamil Nadu, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai.

Additionally, the team has also secured the 3rd Best Memorial Award, and Rohini was adjudged as Best Speaker.



SPORTS

Mr Rahul won Second Place in the Yoga Championship competition held at the SIU tournament in Pune, and Ms Manomita won fourth place in the women's category.



RESEARCH & PUBLICATION

Ms. Shreshtha Singh and Ms. Pratyasha Sahu, students of SLS-H, presented a paper online titled “The Privacy Paradox: Harmonizing User Privacy and Start-Up Innovation in the Market of Data-Driven Ecosystem” at Catalyst- Startup Law & Policy Summit organised by Chanakya National Law University, Patna on 24th & 25th August 2024. The paper was also selected as the 10th Best Paper out of 80+ papers submitted for the national competition.

EVENTS CONDUCTED AT SLSH

Quizumer 5.0

The Centre for Consumer Rights and Marketing of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad (SLSH), in collaboration with the Quiz Society (SLSH), conducted "Quizumer 5.0" a quiz competition on 5 August 2024 to focus on consumer awareness and brand knowledge. The event featured three rounds: Logo Identification, where participants guessed brand logos; Brand Identification from Hints, requiring them to connect clues to brands; and a Buzzer Round with three sub-rounds—Audio-Based, Visual Billboard, and Brand Ambassador. The competition was a resounding success, testing participants' knowledge, quick thinking, and teamwork, with positive feedback highlighting its educational and engaging nature. The winning team demonstrated exceptional skills, and all participants were praised for their enthusiasm, making "Quizumer 5.0" an event to remember. The Centre looks forward to organising more such events to foster consumer awareness and marketing knowledge among students.

Session on 'Legal Skills Program on Navigating Career as a Litigator.'

On 2 August 2024, the Training and Placement Cell of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a workshop titled "Legal Skills Program: Navigating Career as a Litigator" for students across all undergraduate and postgraduate batches. The session featured Advocate Nageshwar Rao Pujari, the esteemed head of Disha Law Firm, who brought 21 years of legal experience to the discussion. He provided an in-depth analysis of the complexities of

litigation, underscored the importance of internships, and highlighted the critical interplay between psychology and legal practice. The workshop offered students valuable insights into embarking on a litigation career, emphasising the profession's challenges and rewards.



Moot Orientation Programme:-

The Moot Court Association of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, conducted a Moot Orientation Program for the Batch of 2024 on the 5th and 6th of August, 2024. The program was designed to familiarize the new students with the concept of mooting, offering insights into the structure and process of a Moot Court Competition. In-depth discussions on key aspects such as memorial drafting were held to ignite enthusiasm and promote a strong mooting culture. The orientation concluded with an interactive doubt-clearing session led by the members of the Moot Court Association, addressing queries from the participants.



Online Guest Lecture

“Wardrobe Wisdom: Legal Guide to Fashion Marketing”

On August 6, 2024, the Centre for Fashion Law at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized an online guest lecture titled “Wardrobe Wisdom: Legal Guide to Fashion Marketing” with Ms. Radha Khera, an expert in Intellectual Property, IT, and Fashion Law. She provided valuable insights into the legal aspects of marketing and advertising within the fashion industry, highlighting topics such as fashion sustainability, patent protection, and ethical marketing practices. Ms. Khera also discussed the evolving landscape of digital marketing and its legal challenges, offering guidance for those pursuing careers in fashion law.

Guest Lecture on ‘Indian Maritime and Coastal Security’

The Centre for Maritime and Security Laws (CMSL) of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a guest lecture, "Indian Maritime and Coastal Security," on 8 August 2024. Dr. Kanneganti Ramesh Babu was invited as the resource person to deliver an insightful session on the critical role of coastal and maritime security in ensuring National Security. Dr. Ramesh highlighted the recent technological advancements in the marine sector and emphasised the importance of collaboration among various security forces to safeguard India's maritime interests, during his lecture.



Guest Lecture on Mastering the Civil Service Preparation

On August 9, 2024, the Department of Competitive Examination Guidance at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a session titled "Mastering Civil Services Preparation," featuring Mr. Sunil Sharma, a retired IAS officer and former Special Chief Secretary of Telangana, as the guest speaker.

Mr. Sharma offered valuable insights into how candidates with a legal background can leverage their expertise for UPSC preparation. He highlighted the significance of foundational resources such as the Constitution and NCERT textbooks. Additionally, he shared effective preparation strategies, including techniques for crafting concise answers, adhering to word limits, and structuring responses clearly and coherently. The session concluded with an interactive Q&A, leaving participants enriched with practical advice.



SLSH Observes Mass Pledge Against Drug Abuse Under NMDA Initiative

On 12th August 2024, Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad (SLSH), actively participated in a nationwide initiative under the National Mission on Drug Abuse (NMDA) by conducting a mass pledge against drug use. This significant event was organized in alignment with the Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan (NMBA), which is celebrating its 5th year since its launch on 15th August 2020.

The mass pledge, led by Hon'ble Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment, Dr. Virendra Kumar, was simultaneously conducted at Modern School, Barakhambha Road, New Delhi, and across various educational institutions, states, districts, and public institutions nationwide. The theme for this year's NMBA celebration, '*Viksit Bharat ka Mantra, Bharat ho Nashe se Swatantra*' (The Mantra for a Developed India: India Free from Drugs), reflects the government's commitment to creating a drug-free India.

The event at SLSH was marked by the participation of 577 students and 48 faculty members, making a total of 625 participants who took the pledge. This activity aims to raise awareness about the dangers of substance abuse and encourage students to lead a drug-free life. The Director of SLSH, along with the faculty, emphasized the importance of this pledge in shaping the minds of young individuals and reinforcing the institution's commitment to social responsibility. The SLSH community is proud to be a part of this essential national movement and remains committed to continuing its efforts in spreading awareness and fostering a drug-free environment.



Group Discussion on "Debt Trap:- Risks of Overleveraging through High EMIs for Indian Businesses and Individuals"

Centre for Finance, Accountability, Corporate Governance, and Transparency (C-FACT) of Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organised a Group Discussion on "Debt Trap: Risks of Overleveraging through High EMIs for Indian Businesses and Individuals" for students of all batches on August 13, 2024. The session aimed to enhance students' oratory skills and awareness of corporate governance.

Participants discussed the dangers of overleveraging, drawing insights from experts like Dr. Ishaq Ahmed and Ms. Nazneen Zafar, and examined cases like Byju's, Paytm, and VG Siddhartha. The discussion covered financial risks, strategies to avoid debt traps, and the impact of aggressive expansion seen in companies like Jet Airways and Kingfisher Airlines, fostering a deeper understanding of financial stability.



Verdict Vision: Real Estate Edition

The Centre for Real Estate and Taxation at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized 'Verdict Vision' on 14 August 2024, featuring a skit followed by a group discussion on tax law. The skit depicted a landmark tax fraud case, breaking down complex legal concepts for participants. It followed an Income Tax Officer acting on a tip-off about tax fraud at a politician's residence, leading to a raid and subsequent courtroom proceedings. The event effectively engaged participants, enhancing their understanding of taxation laws through innovative and interactive methods.



Symbiosis Leaders Walk at SLSH

On 14 August 2024, at Symbiosis Hyderabad campus, the "Symbiosis Leaders Walk" was organized by DSRW in collaboration with SLS-H, SIBM-H, SCMS-H, and SIT-H. The Directors, Deputy Directors, Campus Administrator, and staff from all campuses participated in a 1.5 km walk across the Symbiosis Hyderabad campus. This initiative was designed to promote collaboration, foster the exchange of ideas, and strengthen the sense of unity within the campus community, highlighting the significance of collective leadership in advancing the institution's vision.



Training session on “Strategic Practice for Lawyers: Resolving Disputes through Commercial Arbitration & Beyond”

The Alternative Dispute Resolution Society (ADRS) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized a training session titled "Strategic Practice for Lawyers: Resolving Disputes through Commercial Arbitration & Beyond" on 23rd August 2024. The session provided valuable insights into the pivotal role of lawyers in dispute resolution, particularly in the area of commercial arbitration.

Ms. Ekta Bahl, was invited as the resource person to delivered an guest lecture on the concept of "dispute" and the critical role lawyers play in managing and resolving conflicts. She actively involved participants by seeking their perspectives & fostering a deeper understanding of various dispute resolution methods, including arbitration, mediation, and conciliation. Additionally, she offered practical insights into applying these methods across different types of disputes, with a focus on the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, and emphasized the differences between handling family and business disputes.



Movie Screening "The Mighty Ducks"

On 27 August 2024, the Centre for Sports Law at SLSH organized a screening of *The Mighty Ducks* to illustrate the connection between legal concepts and real-world scenarios depicted in the film. Through an analysis of the legal challenges and resolutions presented in the movie, participants gained valuable insights into the application of sports law and its broader impact on both athletes and organizations.

'Pitch a Product'

The Centre for Specialisation in Business & Innovation (C.S.B.I) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, organized an event titled "Pitch a Product" on 30th August 2024. Participants were tasked with presenting innovative products designed to address real-life problems creatively. The event encouraged students to develop practical solutions, while challenging them to demonstrate a deep understanding of real-world issues and market dynamics.



Thought - Provoking discussion "Gender Identity in Sports - Balancing Fairness and Inclusion".

The Centre for Gender Studies (CGS) at Symbiosis Law School, Hyderabad, hosted an insightful discussion titled "Gender Identity in Sports: Balancing Fairness and Inclusion" on 29th August 2024. The event offered students a platform to explore the complexities of gender identity in sports, focusing on key issues such as trans athletes' rights, misconceptions about hormones, and the pervasive influence of societal beauty standards. The event highlighted the need to create a more inclusive, fair, and supportive sporting environment for all athletes, regardless of gender identity.



Festivals Celebrated: -

Independence Day

Independence Day brought great energy and enthusiasm among the Symbiosis Hyderabad campus staff and students. Students of SIT- Hyderabad, SIBM-Hyderabad, SCMS Hyderabad and SLS (Symbiosis Law School)- Hyderabad, along with the authorities, staff, and Students, came together to celebrate Independence Day and to host the National flag with great pomp and show to pay tribute to the nation. The day started with a “PRABHAT PHERI,” as the esteemed dignitaries of the event, along with faculties, staff, and students, walked through the campus of Symbiosis.



Ganesh Chaturthi

Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated at Symbiosis Hyderabad Campus on 7th September 2024. The festivities began with the Murthi Sthapana, followed by a traditional aarti, in which both students and staff participated, creating an atmosphere of devotion and joy. After the Murthi Sthapana, the celebrations continued with cultural events and interactive activities, fostering a sense of bonding and festive spirit.



Janmashtami

The Janmashtami festival was joyfully celebrated at the Symbiosis Hyderabad Campus on 26th August 2024. The event began with a traditional puja, invoking the blessings of Lord Krishna and creating a spiritual atmosphere on campus. Following the puja, various sports activities were organized for the students, blending the festive spirit with fun and enthusiasm. The celebrations allowed students to come together, fostering a sense of community and cultural connection.



***** WE LOOK FORWARD *****

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